



**Major General Brian J. McKiernan,
Commanding General,
First Army Division East**

Major General Brian J. McKiernan is a 1986 Distinguished Military Graduate of the Vanderbilt University ROTC Program. His military education includes the Field Artillery Basic and Advanced Courses, the United States Marine Corps Command and General Staff Course and the Army War College.

Maj. Gen. McKiernan's military service includes tactical assignments with the VII Corps Artillery in Germany, the 82nd Airborne Division, the 2nd Infantry Division, and the 1st Armored Division. He also served as an Operations Research Analyst on the Army Staff, a Joint Staff Officer with the Combined Forces Command-Korea, Senior Fire Support Trainer at the Joint Multinational Readiness Center in Hohenfels, Germany and Chief of Staff (J-9) US Forces Iraq.

He has served in every type of Artillery unit in our Army which included duty as Platoon Fire Direction Officer, Firing Platoon Leader, Aide-de Camp to the VII Corps Artillery Commanding General, Battalion Fire Support Officer, Battery Commander, Battalion S-3, DIVARTY S-3, Direct Support Artillery Battalion Commander, and Commander of the 210th FA Bde, 2nd Infantry Division. His most recent assignments include; DCoS (G-3/5/7) US Army Reserve Command, 49th Commandant of the US Army Field Artillery School, Deputy Commanding General-Support, 82nd Airborne Division, and Deputy Commanding General-Operations, 8th US Army. Maj. Gen. McKiernan assumed command of First Army Division East on 7 August, 2015.

Maj. Gen. McKiernan's awards and decorations include; the Legion of Merit (5), Bronze Star Medal with "V", Bronze Star Medal (3), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (5), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal (4), Army Achievement Medal (4), Iraq Campaign Medal, GWOT Service Medal, GWOT Expeditionary Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Meritorious Unit Citation, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Combat Action Badge, and Master Parachutist Badge.

Maj. Gen. McKiernan is married to the former Sharon Winn who is a Colonel and Army Physician. They have four daughters; Natalie, Ariane, Brianna and Bonnie.